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_____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b)).
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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-9	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations:

1. Reference is made to the following document:
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2. It is assumed that the formulations "whether the ... is ..." and "if ... is ..." in claim 1 refer to the same decision. However, this idea must be phrased in an unambiguous way in claim 1 (PCT Article 6 and PCT Rule 6).

3. INDEPENDENT CLAIM 1

3.1. The present application does not satisfy the requirements of PCT Article 33(1) because the subject matter of claim 1 is not novel within the meaning of PCT Article 33(2).

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